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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Friday, 17 September 1999

SECURITY COUNCIL

10 a.m. 4046th (resumed) meeting Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Protection of civilians in armed conflict

   Report of the Secretary-General to the Security Council on the protection of civilians in armed conflict (S/1999/957)

MILITARY STAFF COMMITTEE

11 a.m. 1413th meeting (closed) Conference Room 9

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

11 a.m. 3rd PLENARY MEETING Conference Room 3

Organization of work of the fifty-fourth regular session of the General Assembly, adoption of the agenda and allocation of items: first report of the General Committee (A/54/250)

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FIFTY-FOURTH SESSION OF
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

The provisional list of speakers (No. 4) for the general debate of the fifty-fourth session of the General Assembly (20-25 September and 29 September-2 October 1999) is now available in room S-2925 (General Assembly and ECOSOC Affairs Division). The provisional list of speakers (No. 4) has also been sent by facsimile directly to the permanent missions (office of the Permanent Representative). The list of speakers is also available on the Internet at the following address: www. un.org/ga/54/list54.htm. Any queries concerning the list of speakers should be addressed to the Division (Mrs. Nicolle Matias-Veyne (tel.: (212) 963-5063)).

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TWENTY-SECOND SPECIAL SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
ON THE REVIEW AND APPRAISAL OF THE IMPLEMENTATION
OF THE PROGRAMME OF ACTION FOR THE SUSTAINABLE
DEVELOPMENT OF SMALL ISLAND DEVELOPING STATES
(*27 and 28 September 1999*)

The provisional list of speakers (No.2) in the debate on the review and appraisal of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States is now available at the General Assembly Servicing Branch (rooms S-2925 and S-3001G). The provisional list of speakers (No.2) has also been sent by facsimile directly to the permanent missions (office of the Permanent Representative).

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

DISARMAMENT COMMISSION

Meeting of the Extended Bureau

12 noon-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 9

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme and of the United Nations Population Fund

Third regular session 1999

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	38th meeting	Conference Room 1
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	39th meeting	Conference Room 1

1. UNDP: Special funds and programmes: United nations Capital Development Fund [4] (DP/1999/37)

2. UNFPA: Country programmes and related matters [8] (DP/FPA/AZE/1, DP/FPA/KAZ/1, DP/FPA/KGZ/1, DP/FPA/PAK/6, DP/FPA/PHL/5, DP/FPA/TJK/1, DP/FPA/TKM/1, DP/FPA/UZB/1, DP/FPA/HTI/2/EXT.1)

3. UNDP: Country cooperation frameworks and related matters [3] (DP/1999/36, DP/CCF/CAF/1 and Corr.1, DP/CCF/ANT/1, DP/CCF/ECU/1, DP/CCF/HAI/1 and Corr.1, DP/CCF/ERI/1/EXT.1)

4. UNDP: Financial, budgetary and administrative matters: Report on the United Nations Revolving Fund for Natural Resources Exploration [2] (DP/1999/42)

5. Other matters: Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS [9]

6. Pending decisions

7. Organizational matters [1] (DP/1999/CRP.11, DP/1999/13)

[There will be a meeting of the donors group *today* at 9 a.m. in Conference Room E.]

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Friday, 17 September 1999

ARAB GROUP
(at the ambassadorial level)

10.30 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND, THIRD AND FIFTH COMMITTEES
(on the drafting of the ministerial declaration)

11 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 7
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 7

AFRICAN GROUP: GROUP OF EXPERTS ON ECONOMIC MATTERS

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

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United Nations Institute for Training and Research

SPECIAL BRIEFING ON THE WORK OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

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Annual conference

The Fifty-second Annual DPI/NGO Conference entitled "Challenges of a Globalized World: Finding New Directions", will continue *today*, 17 September 1999, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 5.30 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

NGO Workshops, organized by the NGO/DPI Planning Committee, will take place from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. daily in various conference rooms and in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium. Copies of the Conference programme are available on the Internet at the following address: www.un.org/MoreInfo/ngolink/52conf.htm. For further information, please call (212) 963-1361, 963-7709, 963-1285 or 963-7234.

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Special briefing

The Department of Economic and Social Affairs will hold a briefing on "Financial Development in the Globalizing World", the thematic part of *World Economic and Social Survey 1999*, *today*, 17 September 1999, at 3 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. Mr. Nitin Desai, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs, will chair the briefing. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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Announcement

As from Thursday, 2 September 1999, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council conduct informal briefings on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council daily, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations, in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

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Announcement

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling (212) 963-8530.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Monday, 20 September 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

10 a.m. 4th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Organization: presentation by the Secretary-General of his annual report on the work of the organization (A/54/1) [10]

2. Opening of the general debate [9]:

Address by His Excellency Mr. Luiz Felipe LAMPREIA, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Brazil

Address by His Excellency Mr. Thabo MBEKI, President of the Republic of South Africa

Address by His Excellency Mr. Abdelaziz BOUTEFLIKA, President of the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria

Address by His Excellency Mr. Sam NUJOMA, President of the Republic of Namibia

Address by His Excellency Mr. Eduard SHEVARDNADZE, President of Georgia

Address by His Excellency Mr. Lionel JOSPIN, Prime Minister of the French Republic

Address by His Excellency Abdel-Elah Mohammad KHATIB, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Jordan

3 p.m. 5th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

Continuation of the general debate [9]:

Address by His Excellency Mr. Francisco Guillermo FLORES PÉREZ, President of the Republic of El Salvador

Address by His Excellency Mr. Benjamin William MKAPA, President of the United Republic of Tanzania

Address by His Excellency Mr. Arnoldo ALEMÁN LACAYO, President of the Republic of Nicaragua

Address by His Excellency Mr. Andrés PASTRANA ARANGO, President of the Republic of Colombia

Address by His Excellency Mr. Jorge Fernando Branco de SAMPAIO, President of the Portuguese Republic

Address Her Excellency Sheikh HASINA, Prime Minister of the Republic of Bangladesh

Address by His Excellency Mr. Kjell Magne BONDEVIK, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Norway

Address by His Excellency Mr. Samdech HUN SEN, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Cambodia

Address by His Excellency Mr. Marc FORNÉ MOLNÉ, Head of Government of the Principality of Andorra

Address by His Excellency The Honorable Mahendra Pal CHAUDHRY, Prime Minister of the Republic of Fiji

Address by His Excellency Mr. Amara ESSY, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Côte d'Ivoire

Address by His Excellency The Right Honorable Robin COOK, MP, Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland

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Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

The First Committee will hold informal consultations on Tuesday, 21 September 1999, at 10.30 a.m. in Conference Room 4.

The 2nd meeting of the First Committee will be held on Thursday, 23 September 1999, at 10.30 a.m. in Conference Room 4, to consider the organization of work.

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THIRD COMMITTEE

The Third Committee will hold its 2nd meeting on Tuesday, 21 September 1999, at *3 p.m.* in Conference Room 2, for the purpose of electing its Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur and to consider and approve its organization of work (A/C.3/54/L.1)*.

* To be issued.

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FIFTH COMMITTEE

The Fifth Committee will hold its 2nd meeting on Tuesday, 21 September 1999, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 3, for the purpose of electing its Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur and to consider and approve its organization of work. A note by the Secretariat on the status of preparedness of documentation will shortly be issued in document A/C.5/54/L.1

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The Preparatory Committee for the Special Session of the General Assembly on the Implementation of the Outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and Further Initiatives will meet in resumed session, subject to the approval of the General Assembly, on Tuesday, 21 September 1999. The meeting will be held in the afternoon, following the adjournment of the 2nd meeting of the Third Committee in Conference Room 2, in order to take action on draft decisions A/AC.253/L.12 and L.13.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

The Technical Subgroup of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Informatics will meet, under the chairmanship of H.E. Mr. Percy Metsing Mangoaela (Lesotho), on Wednesday, 22 September 1999, at 10 a.m. sharp in Conference Room E (to be confirmed).

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The Chairman of the Commission for Social Development, Mr. Aurelio Fernández (Spain), will give a briefing on the programme of work of the Commission on Thursday, 7 October 1999, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 1. All interested delegations are invited to attend.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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There will be a meeting of the Group of 77 *(on Fifth Committee matters)* on Monday, 20 September 1999, at 6 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

The Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the Member States of the Group of 77 will hold their Twenty-third Annual Ministerial Meeting at Headquarters on Friday, 24 September 1999, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

The Twenty-third Annual Ministerial Meeting will be preceded by the Eleventh Annual Senior Officials Meeting of the Group of 77 on Wednesday, 22 September 1999, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

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There will be a meeting of the Ministers for Foreign Affairs and Heads of Delegation of the Non-Aligned Movement with the Group of 77 and China (Joint Coordinating Committee) on Wednesday, 22 September 1999, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 3.

There will be a meeting of the Ministers for Foreign Affairs and Heads of Delegation of the Non-Aligned Movement on Thursday, 23 September 1999, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 3.

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Special briefings

There will be a briefing for non-governmental organizations by the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict, Mr. Olara A. Otunnu, on his mission to Sierra Leone and Guinea and Security Council resolution 1261, on Tuesday, 21 September 1999, from 3 p.m. to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

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The Regional Representative of the United Nations International Drug Control Programme (UNDCP), Mr. Michael Platzer, will brief permanent missions on current efforts to implement the Barbados Plan of Action on Drug Control. The briefing will be held Monday, 27 September 1999, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room E, and will be followed by a question-and-answer period. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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Workshop

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the United Nations University (UNU) are organizing the second session in the UNU/UNITAR Series, entitled "Workshop on International Environmental Law". Session II will be conducted in English on Thursday , 30 September, and on Friday, 1 October 1999, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

A letter on this subject, including an information note and a nomination form, was addressed to all the permanent missions. The registration deadline is Thursday, 23 September 1999. For further information, please contact Ms. Cecilia Coleman (room DC1-603; tel.:(212) 963-9684).

SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

Wednesday, 15 September 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

GENERAL COMMITTEE 1st meeting

Organization of the fifty-fourth regular session of the General Assembly, adoption of the agenda and allocation of items: memorandum by the Secretary-General (A/BUR/54/1 and Add. 1)

Section I

The General Committee decided to draw the General Assembly's attention to the provisions reproduced in annexes V, VI, VII and VIII to its rules of procedure.

The General Committee took note of paragraph 4 of the memorandum by the Secretary-General.

Organization of the session (Section II)

Section II.A

The General Committee took note of rule 40 of the rules of procedure and of the provisions of General Assembly decision 34/401, Assembly resolution 39/88 B, the annex to Assembly resolution 45/45 and the annex to Assembly resolution 51/241 pertaining to the functions of the Committee.

Section II.B

The General Committee took note of paragraphs 6 and 7 of the memorandum by the Secretary-General.

In connection with paragraph 8 of the memorandum by the Secretary-General, the General Committee decided to draw the attention of the General Assembly to paragraph 5 of the annex to its resolution 45/45 and to paragraphs 30, 31 and 36 of the annex to its resolution 51/241.

The General Committee took note of paragraphs 9 and 10 of the memorandum by the Secretary-General.

Section II.C

The General Committee took note that the General Assembly had decided by its resolution 53/239 of 8 June 1999 that the fifty-fourth session would close on Tuesday, 5 September 2000.

The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that the fifty-fourth session should recess no later than Tuesday, 14 December 1999.

The Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that the First, Special Political and Decolonization (Fourth Committee) and Sixth Committees complete their work by Friday, 19 November, the Third Committee by Monday, 22 November, the Second Committee by Friday, 26 November, and the Fifth Committee by Friday, 10 December 1999.

Section II.D

The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly the suggestions contained in paragraphs 12 to 14 and of the memorandum by the Secretary-General, including the recommendation that plenary meetings and meetings of the Main Committees, including informals, be adjourned by 6 p.m. and that no meetings be held on weekends, with the exception of the general debate. The Committee also recommended that this cost-saving measure should apply, for the remainder of 1999, to meetings on the calendar of conferences and meetings. The Committee further recommended that, in order to avoid the late start of meetings, the General Assembly should waive the requirements of the presence of at least one third of the members to declare a plenary meeting open and to permit the debate to proceed and of at least one quarter of the members to declare a meeting of a Main Committee open and permit the debate to proceed. The Committee further recommended that delegations should be reminded of the utmost importance of punctuality in the interest of ensuring an effective and orderly organization of work and achieving economies for the United Nations.

Section II.E

The General Committee took note of paragraph 54 of the memorandum by the Secretary-General in which it was indicated, *inter alia*, that the general debate would be held from Monday, 20 September to Saturday, 25 September, and from Wednesday, 29 September to Saturday, 2 October 1999.

The General Committee decided to draw the attention of the General Assembly to paragraph 16 of the annex to its resolution 51/241 indicating a voluntary guideline of up to twenty minutes for each statement in the general debate.

The General Committee endorsed the suggestions concerning the closure of the list of speakers (to close on Wednesday, 22 September 1999, at 6 p.m.).

The General Committee decided to draw the attention of the General Assembly to paragraph 18 of the memorandum by the Secretary-General concerning the prohibition of the expression of congratulations in the General Assembly Hall after a speech had been delivered and the departure through Room GA-200 of speakers after delivering their statements.

Section II.F

The General Committee decided to draw the General Assembly's attention to paragraphs 6, 7 and 8 of its decision 34/401 concerning explanations of vote and rights of reply.

The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that points of order be limited to five minutes.

The General Committee decided to draw the attention of the General Assembly to paragraph 21 of the memorandum by the Secretary-General concerning the length of statements in debates outside the general debate.

The General Committee decided to draw the attention of the General Assembly to rules 72 and 114 of the rules of procedure and paragraph 22 of annex VI thereto concerning length of statements for appropriate action in plenary meetings and the Main Committees.

Section II.G

The General Committee took note of paragraph 22 of the memorandum of the Secretary-General concerning verbatim and summary records.

The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that its decision not to reproduce *in extenso* statements made in a Main Committee should be maintained for the fifty-fourth session.

Section II.H

The General Committee was informed that South Africa was the name drawn for the purpose of occupying the first desk on the General Assembly floor and from which the seating order would begin.

Section II.I

The General Committee decided to draw the General Assembly's attention to the need for the full implementation of paragraph 17 of its decision 34/401 concerning concluding statements.

Section II.J

The General Committee decided to draw the General Assembly's attention to paragraph 32 of its decision 34/401, to recommendation 3 (f) of the Group of High-level Intergovernmental Experts, to paragraph 5 of Assembly resolution 48/264, and to paragraphs 1 and 10 of the annex to Assembly resolution 45/45, concerning General Assembly resolutions.

Section II.K

The General Committee decided to draw the General Assembly's attention to paragraph 28 of its decision 34/401, to paragraph 6 of its resolution 48/264, to paragraph 3 of its resolution 53/208 B and to paragraph 32 of the annex to resolution 51/241, concerning documentation.

Section II.L

The General Committee decided to draw the General Assembly's attention to the provisions contained in paragraphs 32 to 36 of the memorandum by the Secretary-General concerning questions related to the programme budget.

Section II.M

The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly the suggestions contained in paragraphs 37 and 38 concerning observances and commemorative meetings.

Section II.N

The General Committee decided to draw the General Assembly's attention to the recommendations referred to in paragraphs 39 and 40 of the memorandum by the Secretary-General concerning special conferences.

Section II.O

With regard to paragraph 41 of the memorandum by the Secretary-General, the Chairman informed the General Committee that item (d) (United Nations Population Fund) should be deleted as it was already cited under item (c). The Committee therefore decided to recommend to the Assembly that it should authorize the meetings of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People, and the Working Group on the Financing of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East.

Observations and proposals on the organization of future sessions of the General Assembly (Section III)

The General Committee decided, with regard to opening and closing dates of future regular sessions, to draw the General Assembly's attention to paragraph 17 of the annex to resolution 51/241, and to the report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of resolution 51/241 (document A/52/855), in particular to paragraphs 16 and 17 thereof.

The General Committee was informed that, as a consequence of the provision contained in paragraph 17 of the annex to General Assembly resolution 51/241, the Assembly had taken ad hoc decisions concerning the opening and/or closing dates of its fifty-second, fifty-third, fifty-fourth and fifty-fifth sessions.

In this connection, the General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly to address, during its fifty-fourth session, the question of the opening and closing dates of future regular sessions, with a view to deciding on a formula to determine the opening and closing dates of future regular sessions.

Taking into account the opening date of the regular sessions, the Committee also decided to recommend to the Assembly a review of the question of the mandatory deadline for the submission to the Fifth Committee of all draft resolutions with programme budget implications.

Adoption of the agenda (Section IV)

The General Committee took note of the provisions contained in paragraph 46 of the memorandum by the Secretary-General dealing with the rationalization of the agenda.

In this connection, the General Committee decided to draw the attention of the General Assembly to paragraphs 23 to 26 of the annex to its resolution 51/241.

Items 1 to 6

The General Committee took note that the General Assembly had already dealt with items 1 to 6 of the draft agenda.

Items 7 to 95

The General Committee decided to recommend that the General Assembly should include these items in the agenda.

Item 96

Statements were made by the representative of Seychelles and Monaco.

The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that consideration of this item be deferred to the fifty-fifth session of the General Assembly and that it be included in the provisional agenda of that session.

Item 97

Statements were made by the representatives of Thailand and France.

The General Committee decided to recommend that the General Assembly should include this item in the agenda.

Items 98 to 165

The General Committee decided to recommend that the General Assembly should include these items in the agenda.

Item 166

In accordance with rule 43 of the rules of procedure, the representative of Sweden made a statement.

The General Committee decided to invite the representative of Italy, at his request, to take his place at the Committee's table.

The representative of Italy made a statement.

The representative of Monaco made a statement.

The General Committee decided to recommend that the General Assembly should include this item in the agenda.

Item 167

The General Committee decided to recommend that the General Assembly should include this item.

Item 168

The General Committee decided to recommend that the General Assembly should include this item.

Item 169

The General Committee decided to recommend that the General Assembly should include this item in the agenda.

Item 170

Statements were made by the representatives of the Russian Federation, Cuba, China, Iraq and Algeria.

In accordance with rule 43 of the rules of procedures, statements were made by the representatives of Sweden and Chile.

The General Committee decided to defer consideration of the inclusion of this item to a later date.

Item 171

In accordance with rule 43 of the rules of procedure, the representative of Senegal made a statement.

The representative of China made a statement.

2nd meeting

Adoption of the agenda (Section IV) (continued)

Item 171 (continued)

Statements were made by the representatives of Algeria, Monaco, Grenada, Djibouti, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Côte d'Ivoire, Iraq, the Russian Federation, Seychelles, Cyprus, the Congo, France, Tajikistan, Cuba, the United States, Chile, the Islamic Republic of Iran and the United Kingdom.

In accordance with rule 43 of the rules of procedure, statements were made by the representatives of Liberia, Burkina Faso, the Marshall Islands, the Gambia, Swaziland, the Solomon Islands, Nicaragua, El Salvador, Malawi, Honduras and Saint Vincent and the Grenadines.

The General Committee decided to invite the representatives of Sao Tome and Principe, Myanmar, Bangladesh, Nepal, Chad, Sri Lanka, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Kazakhstan, Suriname, the Sudan, Kuwait, the Syrian Arab Republic, Mongolia, Guatemala, Mexico, Italy, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Brazil, Belize, Belarus, Argentina, Guyana, South Africa, the Lao People's Democratic Republic, Spain, Lesotho, Zambia, Saint Lucia, Afghanistan, Dominica, Kenya, Tunisia, United Republic of Tanzania, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Yemen, Egypt and Pakistan, at their requests, to take their places at the Committee's table.

Statements were made by the representatives of Sao Tome and Principe, Myanmar, Bangladesh, Nepal, Chad, Sri Lanka, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Kazakhstan, Suriname, the Sudan, Kuwait, the

Syrian Arab Republic, Mongolia, Guatemala, Mexico, Italy, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Brazil, Belize, Belarus, Argentina, Guyana, South Africa, the Lao People's Democratic Republic, Spain, Lesotho, Zambia, Saint Lucia, Afghanistan, Dominica, Kenya, Tunisia, the United Republic of Tanzania, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Yemen, Egypt and Pakistan.

The General Committee decided not to recommend the inclusion of this item in the agenda.

Item 172

The General Committee decided to recommend that the General Assembly should include this item in the agenda.

Item 173

The General Committee decided to invite the representatives of Rwanda, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Uganda and Namibia, at their requests, take their places at the Committee's table.

Statements were made by the representatives of Rwanda, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Uganda and Namibia.

The General Committee decided to recommend that the General Assembly should include this item in the agenda.

Allocation of items (Section V)

The General Committee decided to draw the General Assembly's attention to paragraph 4 of its decision 34/401, paragraph 5 of the annex to Assembly resolution 39/88 B, paragraph 6 of the annex to Assembly resolution 45/45, paragraphs 2 and 5 (b) and (d) of annex I to resolution 48/264 as well as paragraph 24 of the annex to resolution 51/241 concerning the allocation and clustering of items.

Item 97

The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that the item on the question of East Timor should be considered directly in plenary meeting, on the understanding that bodies and individuals having an interest in the question would be heard in the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) in conjunction with the consideration of that item in plenary meeting.

Item 163

The representative of Bolivia made a statement.

The General Committee decided to recommend that item 163 should be considered directly in plenary meeting.

Item 166

The General Committee decided to recommend that item 166 should be considered directly in plenary meeting.

Item 168

The General Committee decided to recommend that item 168 should be considered directly in plenary meeting.

Item 169

The General Committee decided to recommend that item 169 should be considered directly in plenary meeting.

Item 172

The General Committee decided to recommend that item 172 should be allocated to the Fifth Committee.

Item 10

The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that it hear a brief presentation by the Secretary-General of his annual report on the work of the Organization on Monday, 20 September, as the first item in the morning prior to the opening of the general debate.

Item 12

The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly the suggested allocation of various parts of the report of the Economic and Social Council as contained in paragraph 52 of the memorandum by the Secretary-General.

Item 18

The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that all the chapters of the report of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and People relating to specific Territories should be referred to the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) so that the Assembly might deal in plenary meeting with the question of the implementation of the Declaration as a whole.

Item 52

The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that the item on the question of the Falkland Islands (Malvinas) should be considered directly in plenary meeting, on the understanding that bodies and individuals having an interest in the question would be heard in the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) in conjunction with the consideration of the item in plenary meeting .

Item 63

The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that the item on the question of Cyprus should be allocated at an appropriate time during the session.

Item 76

The General Committee decided to recommend that the paragraphs of the annual report of the International Atomic Energy Agency dealing with the subject matter of item 76 should be drawn to the attention of the First Committee in connection with its consideration of that item.

Item 100 (h)

The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that the plenary meeting to commemorate the thirtieth anniversary of the operations of the United Nations Population Fund should be held on Wednesday, 27 October 1999 in the morning.

Item 107

The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that the four plenary meetings devoted to the follow-up of the International Year of Older Persons should be held on Monday and Tuesday, 4 and 5 October 1999.

Item 110

The General Committee decided to recommend that, in connection with item 106 (Advancement of women), the annual report of the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme on the operations, management and budget of the United Nations Development Fund for Women should be referred to the Second Committee for consideration under item 102 (Operational activities for development).

Statements were made by the representatives of the Russian Federation and China.

Also in connection with item 110, the General Committee also decided to recommend to the General Assembly that the item should also be considered directly in plenary for the sole purpose of taking action on the draft resolution entitled, "Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women", recommended to the Assembly for its adoption by the Economic and Social Council in its resolution 1999/13 of 28 July 1999, on the understanding that it would not set a precedent.

Item 155 (a)

The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that, in light of resolution 53/100 of 8 December 1998, it take note that the one-day plenary meeting to mark the end of the United Nations Decade of International Law should be held on 17 November 1999.

Item 158

The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that, in light of resolution 53/104 of 8 December 1998, in which the Assembly decided to endorse the recommendation of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country that its membership be increased by four members, including one each from African, Asian, Latin American and Caribbean and Eastern European States, to be chosen by the President of the General Assembly in accordance with resolution 2819 (XXVI) of 15 December 1971, in consultation with the regional groups, and in view of the fact that there remains one appointment to be made from among the Asian states, the item should also be considered directly in plenary meeting.

Item 173

The General Committee decided to recommend that item 173 should be considered directly in plenary.

The General Committee then proceeded to consider the allocation of items proposed in paragraph 62 of document A/BUR/54/1 and in its Add.1.

Plenary items

The General Committee decided to recommend the allocation of items proposed in documents A/BUR/54/1 and Add.1, including sub-item (i) of item 17, items 97, 158, 163, 166, 168 and 169; excluding item 63; and including its recommendations on the commemorative meetings under items 100 (h), 107, 155 (a) and its recommendation on item 110.

First Committee items

The General Committee decided to recommend the allocation of items proposed in document A/BUR/54/1.

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) items

The General Committee decided to recommend the allocation of items proposed in document A/BUR/54/1, taking into account its decisions on the item entitled "Question of the Malagasy islands of Glorieuses, Juan de Nova, Europa and Bassas da India", on item 52 entitled "Question of the Falkland Islands (Malvinas)" and on item 97 entitled "Question of East Timor".

Second Committee items

The General Committee decided to recommend the allocation of items proposed in document A/BUR/54/1.

Third Committee items

The General Committee decided to recommend the allocation of items proposed in document A/BUR/54/1.

Fifth Committee items

The General Committee decided to recommend the allocation of items proposed in documents A/BUR/54/1 and Add. 1.

Sixth Committee items

The General Committee decided to recommend the allocation of items proposed in document A/BUR/54/1.

Thursday, 16 September 1999

SECURITY COUNCIL

4046th meeting

Protection of civilians in armed conflict

Report of the Secretary-General to the Security Council on the Protection of Civilians in Armed Conflict (S/1999/957)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representatives of Belarus, Botswana, Egypt, Finland, India, Iraq, Israel, Japan, Mongolia, Norway, the Philippines, the Republic of Korea, Rwanda, Slovakia, South Africa, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Tunisia and Ukraine, at their request, to participate in the discussion of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President drew attention to a letter dated 10 September 1999 from the Permanent Observer of Palestine to the United Nations (S/1999/980), requesting an invitation to participate in the meeting in accordance with the Council's previous practice. In accordance with the provisional rules of procedure and previous practice in that regard, the President, with the consent of the Council, invited the Permanent Observer of Palestine to participate in the debate.

In accordance with the understanding reached in the Council's prior consultations, the President extended an invitation to the Permanent Observer of Switzerland to the United Nations to participate in the discussion, without the right to vote.

In accordance with the understanding reached in the Council's prior consultations, the President extended an invitation under rule 39 of its provisional rules of procedure to Mrs. Sylvie Junod, Head of the Delegation of the International Committee of the Red Cross to the United Nations.

The Council began its consideration of the item.

The Secretary-General made a statement.

Pursuant to the request of the Secretary-General, Mrs. Mary Robinson, United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of Canada, Slovenia, Brazil, the United States and Namibia, by the Deputy Foreign Minister for Humanitarian Affairs of Argentina, and by the representatives of the United Kingdom, France, Malaysia, the Gambia, China, the Russian Federation, Bahrain and Gabon.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in document S/1999/981, which had been prepared in the course of the Council's prior consultations.

The meeting was suspended.

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

47th meeting

Official inauguration of the renovated Economic and Social Council Chamber

The President of the Council, H.E. Mr. F. Paolo Fulci (Italy), made a statement.

The President of the General Assembly, H.E. Mr. Theo-Ben Gurirab, made a statement.

Statements were made by H.E. Mr. Leutlwetse Mmualefe (Botswana) (on behalf of the African States), H.E. Mr. Volkan Vural (Turkey) (on behalf of the Asian States), Ms. Lidija Topić, Chargé d'Affaires (Bosnia and Herzegovina) (on behalf of the Eastern European States), M. Genaro Vicente Pappalardo, Chargé d'Affaires (Paraguay) (on behalf of the Latin American and Caribbean States) and H.E. Mr. Thorsteinn Ingolfsson (Iceland) (on behalf of the Western European and other States).

The Secretary of the Economic and Social Council made a statement in which she informed the Council that the next meeting of the Economic and Social Council meeting was postponed for weather reasons and would be convened following the general debate of the fifty-fourth session of the General Assembly.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Special event

Under the sponsorship of the Permanent Mission of Bangladesh, a special event on the occasion of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the admission of Bangladesh to the United Nations will be held *today*, 17 September 1999, from 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

The Prime Minister of the People's Republic of Bangladesh, Her Excellency Sheikh Hasina, and the Secretary-General of the United Nations, Mr. Kofi Annan, will attend the comme-morative meeting. Former and present senior officials of the United Nations will address the event.

Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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Security announcements

Briefing

The Security and Safety Service will convene briefing on security arrangements for the fifty-fourth session of the General Assembly for the permanent and observer missions *today*, 17 September 1999, at from 9.30 a.m. to 10 a.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Monday, 20 September 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

10 a.m. 4th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Organization: presentation by the Secretary-General of his annual report on the work of the organization (A/54/1) [10]

2. Opening of the general debate [9]:

   Brazil

3. Address by His Excellency Mr. Thabo Mbeki, President of the Republic of South Africa

4. Address by His Excellency Mr. Abdelaziz Bouteflika, President of the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria

5. Address by His Excellency Mr. Sam Nujoma, President of the Republic of Namibia

6. Address by His Excellency Mr. Eduard Shevardnadze, President of Georgia

7. Continuation of the general debate [9]:

   Address by His Excellency Mr. Lionel Jospin, Prime Minister of the French Republic

   Jordan

8. Organization of work of the fifty-fourth regular session of the General Assembly: letter from the Chairman of the Committee on Conferences (A/54/313/Add.1 and 2) [8]

3 p.m. 5th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Mr. Francisco Guillermo Flores Pérez, President of the Republic of El Salvador

2. Address by His Excellency Mr. Benjamin William Mkapa, President of the United Republic of Tanzania

3. Address by His Excellency Mr. Arnoldo Alemán Lacayo, President of the Republic of Nicaragua

4. Address by His Excellency Mr. Andrés Pastrana Arango, President of the Republic of Colombia

5. Address by His Excellency Mr. Jorge Fernando Branco de Sampaio, President of the Portuguese Republic

6. Continuation of the general debate [9]:

Address Her Excellency Sheikh Hasina, Prime Minister of the Republic of Bangladesh

Address by His Excellency Mr. Kjell Magne Bondevik, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Norway

Address by His Excellency Mr. Samdech Hun Sen, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Cambodia

Address by His Excellency Mr. Marc Forné Molné, Prime Minister of the Principality of Andorra

Address by His Excellency The Honorable Mahendra Pal Chaudhry, Prime Minister of the Republic of Fiji

Côte d'Ivoire

United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland

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FIFTY-FOURTH SESSION OF
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

The provisional list of speakers (No. 4) for the general debate of the fifty-fourth session of the General Assembly (20-25 September and 29 September-2 October 1999) is now available in room S-2925 (General Assembly and ECOSOC Affairs Division). The provisional list of speakers (No. 4) has also been sent by facsimile directly to the permanent missions (office of the Permanent Representative). The list of speakers is also available on the Internet at the following address: www. un.org/ga/54/list54.htm. Any queries concerning the list of speakers should be addressed to the Division (Mrs. Nicolle Matias-Veyne (tel.: (212) 963-5063)).

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TWENTY-SECOND SPECIAL SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
ON THE REVIEW AND APPRAISAL OF THE IMPLEMENTATION
OF THE PROGRAMME OF ACTION FOR THE SUSTAINABLE
DEVELOPMENT OF SMALL ISLAND DEVELOPING STATES
(*27 and 28 September 1999*)

The provisional list of speakers (No. 2) in the debate on the review and appraisal of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States is now available at the General Assembly Servicing Branch (rooms S-2925 and S-3001G). The provisional list of speakers (No. 2) has also been sent by facsimile directly to the permanent missions (office of the Permanent Representative).

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subjects

1. Competitive examination for promotion to the professional category of staff members from other categories
2. Amendments to staff rules
3. Administrative issuances on delegation of authority
4. Hiring and use of consultants in the Secretariat; Consultants and individual contractors

Announcement

The daily briefing of the Spokesman for the Secretary-General for members of permanent missions will not be held from Monday, 20 September, to Friday, 1 October. The briefings will resume on Monday, 4 October 1999, at 12.30 p.m..

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Monday, 20 September 1999

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND, THIRD AND FIFTH COMMITTEES
(on the drafting of the ministerial declaration)

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

AFRICAN GROUP OF THE WHOLE

5 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

GROUP OF 77
(on Fifth Committee matters)

6 p.m.-8 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

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There will be an Inter-Agency Consultative Meeting on Monday, 20 September 1999, from 2.30 p.m. to 5.30 p.m. in Conference Room 7. The meeting will be closed.

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The National Coordinators of the Rio Group will meet on Monday, 20 September 1999, from 9.30 a.m. to 10.30 a.m. in Conference Room 5.

There will be a meeting of the Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the Rio Group on Monday, 20 September 1999, from 12 noon to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

There will be a Rio Group/ASEAN meeting on Monday, 20 September 1999, from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

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Informal consultations

In connection with the special session of the General Assembly for the review and appraisal of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States, there will be informal consultations on the draft resolution on the Caribbean Sea on Monday, 20 September 1999, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6, on Wednesday, 22 September, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6, and on Friday, 24 September, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference D.

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Briefings

The Permanent Mission of Cuba will hold briefings for interested delegations and representatives of non-governmental organizations from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room D, on Tuesday, 21 September 1999, on the theme "The Impact of the United States Economic, Financial and Commercial Embargo against Cuba on the Cuban Population: A Perspective from Cuban Youth and Health Organizations", and on Wednesday, 22 September, on "A Cuban Perspective from the Views of Cuban Religious Organizations".

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Announcement

As from Thursday, 2 September 1999, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council conduct informal briefings on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council daily, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations, in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

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Announcement

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling (212) 963-8530.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Tuesday, 21 September 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

10 a.m. 6th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Mr. Alberto Fujimori, President of the Republic of Peru

2. Address by His Excellency Mr. William Jefferson Clinton, President of the United States of America

3. Address by His Excellency Mr. Robert Mugabe, President of the Republic of Zimbabwe

4. Address by His Excellency Mr. Alvaro Arzú Irigoyen, President of the Republic of Guatemala

5. Continuation of the general debate [9]:

   Russian Federation

   Ghana

   Finland

3 p.m. 7th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Mr. Hugo Chávez Frías, President of the Republic of Venezuela

2. Address by His Excellency Mr. Carlos Saúl Menem, President of the Republic of Argentina

3. Continuation of the general debate [9]:

   Address by His Excellency Mr. Mikuláš Dzurinda, Prime Minister of the Slovak Republic

   Mali

   Japan

   Austria

   Ukraine

   Morocco

   Uzbekistan

   Sweden

   United Arab Emirates

   Spain

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Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

The First Committee will hold informal consultations on Tuesday, 21 September 1999, at *12 noon* in Conference Room 4.

The 2nd meeting of the First Committee will be held on Thursday, 23 September 1999, at 10.30 a.m. in Conference Room 4, to consider the organization of work.

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SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

The Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) will hold its 2nd meeting on Wednesday, 22 September 1999, at 10 a.m. sharp in Conference Room 4, for the purpose of electing its Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur and to consider and approve its organization of work (A/C.4/54/L.1)*.

Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers for the general debate relating to decolonization items, which will begin on Monday, 4 October (see document A/C.4/54/L.1*), are kindly requested to notify the Secretariat (room S-2977; tel.: (212) 963-9223).

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* To be issued.

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SECOND COMMITTEE

The Second Committee will hold its 2nd meeting on Tuesday, 28 September 1999, at 10 a.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber, to elect its Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur and to consider its proposed organization of work as contained in document A/C.2/54/L.1*.

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* To be issued.

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THIRD COMMITTEE

The Third Committee will hold its 2nd meeting on Tuesday, 21 September 1999, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 2, for the purpose of electing its Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur and to consider and approve its organization of work (A/C.3/54/L.1)*.

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* To be issued.

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FIFTH COMMITTEE

The Fifth Committee will hold its 2nd meeting on Tuesday, 21 September 1999, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 3, for the purpose of electing its Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur and to consider and approve its organization of work. A note by the Secretariat on the status of preparedness of documentation will shortly be issued in document A/C.5/54/L.1

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SIXTH COMMITTEE

The Sixth Committee will hold its 2nd meeting on Monday, 27 September 1999, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 4, for the purpose of electing its Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur and to consider and approve its organization of work (A/C.6/54/L.1)*.

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* To be issued.

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The Preparatory Committee for the Special Session of the General Assembly on the Implementation of the Outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and Further Initiatives will meet in resumed session, subject to the approval of the General Assembly, on Tuesday, 21 September 1999. The meeting will be held in the afternoon, following the adjournment of the 2nd meeting of the Third Committee in Conference Room 2, in order to take action on draft decisions A/AC.253/L.12 and L.13.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

The Technical Subgroup of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on informatics will meet, under the chairmanship of H.E. Mr. Percy Metsing Mangoaela (Lesotho), on Wednesday, 22 September 1999, at 10 a.m. sharp in Conference Room E (to be confirmed).

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The Chairman of the Commission for Social Development, Mr. Aurelio Fernández (Spain), will give a briefing on the programme of work of the Commission on Thursday, 7 October 1999, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 1. All interested delegations are invited to attend.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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The Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the Member States of the Group of 77 will hold their Twenty-third Annual Ministerial Meeting at Headquarters on Friday, 24 September 1999, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

The Twenty-third Annual Ministerial Meeting will be preceded by the Eleventh Annual Senior Officials Meeting of the Group of 77 on Wednesday, 22 September 1999, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

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There will be a meeting of the Ministers for Foreign Affairs and Heads of Delegation of the Non-Aligned Movement with the Group of 77 and China (Joint Coordinating Committee) on Wednesday, 22 September 1999, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 3.

There will be a meeting of the Ministers for Foreign Affairs and Heads of Delegation of the Non-Aligned Movement on Thursday, 23 September 1999, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 3.

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Special briefings

There will be a briefing for non-governmental organizations by the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict, Mr. Olara A. Otunnu, on his mission to Sierra Leone and Guinea and Security Council resolution 1261, on Tuesday, 21 September 1999, from 3 p.m. to 4.30 p.m. in *Conference Room 4*.

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The Regional Representative of the United Nations International Drug Control Programme (UNDCP), Mr. Michael Platzer, will brief permanent missions on current efforts to implement the Barbados Plan of Action on Drug Control. The briefing will be held on Monday, 27 September 1999, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room E, and will be followed by a question-and-answer period. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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Workshops

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the United Nations University (UNU) are organizing the second session in the UNU/UNITAR Series, entitled "Workshop on International Environmental Law". Session II will be conducted in English on Thursday , 30 September, and on Friday, 1 October 1999, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

A letter on this subject, including an information note and a nomination form, was addressed to all the permanent missions. The registration deadline is Thursday, 23 September 1999. For further information, please contact Ms. Cecelia Coleman (room DC1-603; tel.:(212) 963-9684).

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The UNITAR/UTA/WTO Workshop on International Trade Negotiations, originally scheduled to be held from 27 to 29 September, will now take place from 20 to 22 October 1999 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in New York.

The nomination form was already sent out to all the permanent missions, with the information note. The new registration deadline is Wednesday, 13 October 1999. For further information, please contact Ms. Cecelia Coleman (room DC1-603; tel.: (212) 963-9684).

SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

Friday, 17 September 1999

SECURITY COUNCIL

4046th (resumed) meeting

Protection of civilians in armed conflict

Report of the Secretary-General to the Security Council on the Protection of Civilians in Armed Conflict (S/1999/957)

Upon the resumption of the meeting, the President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representative of Pakistan, at his request, to participate in the discussion of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

Statements were made by the representatives of South Africa and Japan.

In accordance with the decision taken earlier in the meeting, the Council heard a statement by the Permanent Observer of Switzerland to the United Nations.

Statements were also made by the representatives of Finland (on behalf of the European Union, the Central and Eastern European countries associated with the European Union - Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Romania and Slovakia - and the associated countries Cyprus and Malta, as well as the EFTA countries members of the EEA Iceland and Liechtenstein, which aligned themselves with the statement) and Mongolia.

The Council then heard a statement by the Permanent Observer of Palestine to the United Nations.

Statements were also made by the representatives of Norway, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, the Republic of Korea, Ukraine, Egypt, Slovakia, Rwanda and India.

The meeting was suspended.

Upon the resumption of the meeting, the Council heard statements by the representatives of Botswana, Israel and Pakistan.

In accordance with the decision taken earlier in the meeting, the Council heard a statement under rule 39 of its provisional rules of procedure by the Head of the Delegation of the International Committee of the Red Cross to the United Nations.

The representative of Iraq made a statement.

The President made a statement in his capacity as the representative of the Netherlands.

Pursuant to the request of the Secretary-General, Mr. Sergio Vieira de Mello, Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator, made a statement.

The Council then proceeded to the vote on the draft resolution before it (S/1999/981).

Decision: The draft resolution (S/1999/981) received 15 votes in favour, none against and no abstentions, and was adopted unanimously as resolution 1265 (1999).

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

3rd plenary meeting

Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations (Article 19 of the Charter) (A/54/333) [125]

The General Assembly took note that Equatorial Guinea had made the necessary payment to reduce its arrears below the amount specified in Article 19 of the Charter.

Organization of work of the fifty-fourth regular session of the General Assembly, adoption of the agenda and allocation of the items : first report of the General Committee (A/54/[illegible]) [6]

The General Assembly considered the first report of the General Committee circulated in document A/54/250.

Introduction (Section I)

Organization of the session (Section II)

Observations on the organization of future sessions of the General Assembly (Section III)

The General Assembly took note of the provisions and approved the recommendations contained in Sections I, II and III of the report of the General Committee.

Adoption of the agenda (Section IV)

The President of the General Assembly recalled rule 23 of the rules of procedures.

The General Assembly decided that it would direct its Main Committees to review their agenda with a view to streamlining their programme of work.

The General Assembly approved the recommendation contained in paragraph 48, that the consideration of item 96 be

deferred to the fifty-fifth session and that the item be included in the provisional agenda of that session.

The General Assembly approved the recommendation contained in paragraph 49 to include item 166.

The General Assembly approved the recommendation contained in paragraph 50 to include item 168.

The General Assembly approved the recommendation contained in paragraph 51 to include item 169.

In paragraph 52, the General Assembly was informed that the General Committee had decided to defer the consideration of the inclusion of item 170 to a later date.

In paragraph 53, the General Assembly was informed that the General Committee had decided not to recommend the inclusion of item 171.

The General Assembly approved the recommendation contained in paragraph 54 to include item 172.

The representative of Rwanda made a statement against the inclusion of item 173.

The President made a statement.

The representatives of the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Namibia and South Africa made statements in favour of the inclusion of item 173.

The General Assembly approved the recommendation contained in paragraph 55 to include item 173

Inclusion of items

The General Assembly then proceeded to consider the agenda recommended for adoption by the General Committee in paragraph 56 of its report (A/54/250).

Items 1 to 6

The General Assembly took note of the fact that items 1 to 6 had already been acted upon in plenary meeting and their inclusion approved.

Items 7 to 170

The General Assembly approved the inclusion in the agenda of items 7 to 170.

Allocation of the items (Section V)

The General Assembly took note of the provisions contained in paragraph 57 of the report of the General Committee (A/54/250).

The President of the General Assembly recalled that the item numbers mentioned in subsequent paragraphs referred to the agenda which appeared in paragraph 63 of the report of the General Committee.

In regard to item 10, the General Assembly approved the recommendation contained in paragraph 59 (a).

In regard to item 18, the General Assembly approved the recommendation contained in paragraph 59 (b).

In regard to item 52, the General Assembly approved the recommendation contained in paragraph 59 (c).

In regard to item 96, the General Assembly approved the recommendation contained in paragraph 59 (e).

In regard to item 99 (h), the General Assembly approved the recommendation contained in paragraph 59 (f).

In regard to item 106, the General Assembly approved the recommendation contained in paragraph 59 (g).

In regard to item 109, the General Assembly approved the recommendation contained in paragraph 59 (h).

In regard to item 154 (a), the General Assembly approved the recommendation contained in paragraph 59 (i).

In regard to item 157, the General Assembly approved the recommendation contained in paragraph 59 (j).

In regard to item 162, the General Assembly approved the recommendation contained in paragraph 59 (k).

In regard to item 165, the General Assembly approved the recommendation contained in paragraph 59 (l).

In regard to item 167, the General Assembly approved the recommendation contained in paragraph 59 (m).

In regard to item 168, the General assembly approved the recommendation contained in paragraph 59 (n).

In regard to item 170, the General Assembly approved the recommendation contained in paragraph 59 (o).

In regard to item 76, the General Assembly approved the recommendation contained in paragraph 60.

In regard to item 109, the General Assembly approved the recommendation contained in paragraph 60.

In regard to item 169, the General Assembly approved the recommendation contained in paragraph 62.

Taking into account the decisions just adopted, the General Assembly approved the allocation of the items listed in paragraph 63 for consideration directly in the plenary meeting.

Taking into account the decisions just adopted, the General Assembly approved the allocation of items proposed in paragraph 63 for the First Committee, the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee), the Second, Third, Fifth and Sixth Committees.

The President made a statement.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on their Destruction. Oslo, 18 September 1997

Ratification: Madagascar (16 September 1999)*

International Convention for the Suppression of Terrorist Bombings. New York, 15 December 1997

Signature: India (17 September 1999)

Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court. Rome, 17 July 1998

Signature: Bangladesh (16 September 1999)

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* Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

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Chairmen of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of September 1999 has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Botswana
H.E. M. Legwaila Jospeh Legwaila

Asian States:
Turkey
H.E. Mr. Volkan Vural

Eastern European States:
Bosnia and Herzegovina
H.E. Mr. Muhamed Sacirbey

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Paraguay
Mr. Genero Vicente Pappalardo
Chargé d'Affaires

Western European and other States:
Iceland
H.E. Mr. Thorsteinn Ingolfsson

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SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Tuesday, 21 September 1999

SECURITY COUNCIL

3.30 p.m. 4047th meeting Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in Africa

   Briefing by His Excellency Mr. Frederick J.T. Chiluba, President of Zambia

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

10 a.m. 6th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Mr. Alberto Fujimori, President of the Republic of Peru
2. Address by His Excellency Mr. William Jefferson Clinton, President of the United States of America
3. Address by His Excellency Mr. Robert Mugabe, President of the Republic of Zimbabwe
4. Address by His Excellency Mr. Alvaro Arzú Irigoyen, President of the Republic of Guatemala
5. Continuation of the general debate [9]:

   Russian Federation

   Ghana

   Finland

(continued overleaf)

3 p.m. 7th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Mr. Hugo Chávez Frías, President of the Republic of Venezuela
2. Address by His Excellency Mr. Carlos Saúl Menem, President of the Argentine Republic
3. Continuation of the general debate [9]:

   Address by His Excellency Mr. Mikuláš Dzurinda, Prime Minister of the Slovak Republic

   Mali

   Japan

   Austria

   Ukraine

   Morocco

   Uzbekistan

   Sweden

   United Arab Emirates

   Spain

FIFTY-FOURTH SESSION OF
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

Informal consultations

12 noon-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 4

THIRD COMMITTEE

3 p.m.	2nd meeting	Conference Room 2

1. Election of officers
2. Organization of work (A/54/250, A/C.3/54/L.1 and Add.1)

FIFTH COMMITTEE

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	2nd meeting	Conference Room 3

1. Election of the Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur
2. Organization of work (A/54/250, A/54/251, A/C.5/54/1 and A/C.5/54/L.1)

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PREPARATORY COMMITTEE FOR THE SPECIAL SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE OUTCOME OF THE WORLD SUMMIT FOR SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT AND FURTHER INITIATIVES

Resumed first session

Afternoon*-6 p.m.	14th meeting	Conference Room 2

Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters [1]

Action on draft decisions A/AC.253/L.12 and L.13

* Following the adjournment of the 2nd meeting of the Third Committee.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subjects

1. Provision of interpretation services to meetings of regional and other major groupings of Member States
2. Improved utilization of conference facilities at the United Nations Office at Nairobi
3. Possibility of establishing a permanent interpretation service at the United Nations Office at Nairobi

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON PEACEKEEPING OPERATIONS

WORKING GROUP

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	informal meeting (closed)	Conference Room 3

Consideration of the text of a draft resolution for adoption of the 1999 report of the Special Committee

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE ON COORDINATION

CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE ON PROGRAMME AND OPERATIONAL QUESTIONS (CCPOQ)

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

Announcement

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Tuesday, 21 September 1999

NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT :

COORDINATING BUREAU

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

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There will be a meeting of the Rio Group with Japan *today*, 21 September 1999, from 12 noon to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

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There will be meeting of the South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC) and the European Union *today*, 21 September 1999, from 3 p.m. to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

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There will be meeting of the European Union and the Rio Group *today*, 21 September 1999, from 4.30 p.m. to 5.30 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

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Briefings

The Permanent Mission of Cuba will hold a briefing for interested delegations and representatives of non-governmental organizations from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 7, *today*, 21 September 1999, on the theme "The Impact of the United States Economic, Financial and Commercial Embargo against Cuba on the Cuban Population: A Perspective from Cuban Youth and Health Organizations".

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There will be a briefing for non-governmental organizations by the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict, Mr. Olara A. Otunnu, on his mission to Sierra Leone and Guinea and Security Council resolution 1261, *today*, 21 September 1999, from 3 p.m. to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

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Announcement

As from Thursday, 2 September 1999, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council conduct informal briefings on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council daily, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations, in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

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Announcement

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling (212) 963-8[illegible].

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Wednesday, 22 September 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

10 a.m. 8th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Mr. Carlos Roberto Flores Facussé, President of the Republic of Honduras
2. Address by His Excellency Mr. Luis Angel González Macchi, President of the Republic of Paraguay
3. Address by Her Excellency Mrs. Vaira Vike-Freiberga, President of the Republic of Latvia
4. Continuation of the general debate [9]:

   Germany

   China

   Italy

   San Marino

3 p.m. 9th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Mr. Ismail Omar Guelleh, President of the Republic of Djibouti
2. Address by His Excellency Mr. Miguel Angel Rodríguez Echeverría, President of the Republic of Costa Rica
3. Address by His Excellency Mr. Jules Albert Widjenbosch, President of the Republic of Suriname
4. Address by His Excellency Mr. Leo Falcam, President of the Federated States of Micronesia
5. Address by His Excellency Mr. Frederick Chiluba, President of the Republic of Zambia
6. Continuation of the general debate [9]:

   Address by His Excellency The Honourable Denzil Douglas, Prime Minister of Saint Kitts and Nevis

   Pakistan

   Greece

   Denmark

   India

   Turkmenistan

   Czech Republic

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

The 2nd meeting of the First Committee will be held on Thursday, 23 September 1999, at 10.30 a.m. in Conference Room 4, to consider the organization of work.

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SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

The Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) will hold its 2nd meeting on Wednesday, 22 September 1999, at 10 a.m. sharp in Conference Room 4, for the purpose of electing its Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur and to consider and approve its organization of work (A/C.4/54/L.1).

Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers for the general debate relating to decolonization items, which will begin on Monday, 4 October (see document A/C.4/54/L.1), are kindly requested to notify the Secretariat (room S-2977; tel.: (212) 963-9223).

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SECOND COMMITTEE

The Second Committee will hold its 2nd meeting on Tuesday, 28 September 1999, at 10 a.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber, to elect its Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur and to consider its proposed organization of work as contained in document A/C.2/54/L.1*.

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* To be issued.

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SIXTH COMMITTEE

The Sixth Committee will hold its 2nd meeting on Monday, 27 September 1999, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 4, for the purpose of electing its Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur and to consider and approve its organization of work (A/C.6/54/L.1)*.

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* To be issued.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

The Technical Subgroup of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Informatics will meet, under the chairmanship of H.E. Mr. Percy Metsing Mangoaela (Lesotho), on Wednesday, 22 September 1999, at 10 a.m. sharp in Conference Room E (to be confirmed).

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The Chairman of the Commission for Social Development, Mr. Aurelio Fernández (Spain), will give a briefing on the programme of work of the Commission on Thursday, 7 October 1999, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 1. All interested delegations are invited to attend.

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United Nations Development Programme

There will be informal consultations with members of the United Nations Development Programme on the *Human Development Report 2000* on Friday, 24 September 1999 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m in Conference Room 3.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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There will be meetings of the Group of 77 (*draft resolution on the Caribbean Sea and review and implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Islands Developing States*) at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, 22 September 1999, in Conference Room 2, and on Thursday, 23 September, in Conference Room 7.

The Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the Member States of the Group of 77 will hold their Twenty-third Annual Ministerial Meeting at Headquarters on Friday, 24 September 1999, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

The Twenty-third Annual Ministerial Meeting will be preceded by the Eleventh Annual Senior Officials Meeting of the Group of 77 on Wednesday, 22 September 1999, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

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There will be an informal open-ended meeting of the Ministers for Foreign Affairs and Heads of Delegation of the Non-Aligned Movement with the Group of 77 and China (Joint Coordinating Committee) on Wednesday, 22 September 1999, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 3.

There will be a meeting of the Ministers for Foreign Affairs and Heads of Delegation of the Non-Aligned Movement on Thursday, 23 September 1999, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 3.

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Informal consultations

In connection with the special session of the General Assembly for the review and appraisal of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States, the informal consultations on the draft resolution on the Caribbean Sea will continue on Wednesday, 22 September 1999, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6, and on Friday, 24 September, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference D.

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Briefings

The Permanent Mission of Cuba will hold a briefing for interested delegations and representatives of non-governmental organizations from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room D, on Wednesday, 22 September 1999, on "A Cuban Perspective from the Views of Cuban Religious Organizations".

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The Under-Secretary-General for Disarmament Affairs, Mr. Jayantha Dhanapala, will hold an informal briefing for all interested States on matters pertaining to the forthcoming Conference on Facilitating the Entry into Force of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty (CTBT) (in terms of Article XIV, paragraph 2, of that Treaty) on Thursday, 23 September 1999, at 3.30 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

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The Regional Representative of the United Nations International Drug Control Programme (UNDCP), Mr. Michael Platzer, will brief permanent missions on current efforts to implement the Barbados Plan of Action on Drug Control. The briefing will be held on Monday, 27 September 1999, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room E, and will be followed by a question-and-answer period. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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Workshops

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the United Nations University (UNU) are organizing the second session in the UNU/UNITAR Series, entitled "Workshop on International Environmental Law". Session II will be conducted in English on Thursday , 30 September, and on Friday, 1 October 1999, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

A letter on this subject, including an information note and a nomination form, was addressed to all the permanent missions. The registration deadline is Thursday, 23 September 1999. For further information, please contact Ms. Cecelia Coleman (room DC1-603; tel.:(212) 963-9684).

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The UNITAR/UTA/WTO Workshop on International Trade Negotiations, originally scheduled to be held from 27 to 29 September, will now take place from 20 to 22 October 1999 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in New York.

The nomination form was already sent out to all the permanent missions, with the information note. The new registration deadline is Wednesday, 13 October 1999. For further information, please contact Ms. Cecelia Coleman (room DC1-603; tel.: (212) 963-9684).

SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

Monday, 20 September 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Forty-fourth session

4th plenary meeting

Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations (Article 19 of the Charter) (A/54/333/Add.2) [125]

The General Assembly took note that Sierra Leone had made the necessary payment to reduce its arrears below the amount specified in Article 19 of the Chapter.

Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Organization: presentation by the Secretary-General of his annual report on the work of the Organization (A/54/1) [10]

The Secretary-General made a presentation of his annual report on the work of the Organization (A/54/1).

Opening of the general debate [9]

The President of the General Assembly reminded the members of the decision taken by the General Assembly at its 3rd plenary meeting on 17 September that congratulations should not be expressed inside the General Assembly Hall after a speech had been delivered.

In this connection, the President recalled the decision taken by the Assembly at the same meeting that speakers in the general debate, after having delivered their statements, should leave the Assembly Hall through room GA-200 at the rear of the podium before returning to their seats.

The President also reminded representatives that the list of speakers would be closed on Wednesday, 22 September 1999, at 6 p.m., and requested delegations to provide estimated speaking times that were as accurate as possible, so that meetings could be planned in an orderly way.

The President recalled paragraph 21 of the annex to General Assembly resolution 51/241 whereby the Assembly indicated a voluntary guideline of up to twenty minutes for each statement in the general debate.

The General Assembly heard a statement by H.E. Mr. Luiz Felipe Palmeira Lampreia, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Brazil.

Address by H.E. Mr. Thabo Mbeki, President of the Republic of South Africa

H.E. Mr. Thabo Mbeki, President of the Republic of South Africa, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by H.E. Mr. Abdelaziz Bouteflika, President of the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria and former President of the General Assembly

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Address by H.E. Mr. Sam Nujoma, President of the Republic of Namibia

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Address by H.E. Mr. Eduard Shevardnadze, President of Georgia

H.E. Mr. Eduard Shevardnadze, President of Georgia, addressed the General Assembly.

Continuation of the general debate [9]

H.E. Mr. Lionel Jospin, Prime Minister of the French Republic, addressed the General Assembly.

The General Assembly heard a statement by H.E. Abdel-Elah Mohammad Khatib, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Jordan.

Adoption of the agenda and organization of work: letters from the Chairman of the Committee on Conferences (A/54/313/Add. 1 and 2) [8]

The General Assembly adopted the recommendations of the Committee on Conferences contained in the letters from the Chairman of the Committee (A/54/313/Add.1 and 2) to authorize the Preparatory Committee for the Special Session of the General Assembly on the Implementation of the Outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and Further Initiatives and the Committee on Information to meet in New York during the main part of its fifty-fourth session.

5th plenary meeting

Address by H.E. Mr. Benjamin William Mkapa, President of the United Republic of Tanzania

H.E. Mr. Benjamin William Mkapa, President of the United Republic of Tanzania, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by H.E. Mr. Arnoldo Alemán Lacayo, President of the Republic of Nicaragua

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Address by H.E. Mr. Andrés Pastrana Arango, President of the Republic of Colombia

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Address by H.E. Mr. Jorge Fernando Branco de Sampaio, President of the Portuguese Republic

H.E. Mr. Jorge Fernando Branco de Sampaio, President of the Portuguese Republic, addressed the General Assembly.

Continuation of the general debate [9]

H.E. Sheikh Hasina, Prime Minister of the People's Republic of Bangladesh, addressed the General Assembly.

H.E. Mr. Kjell Magne Bondevik, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Norway, addressed the General Assembly.

H.E. Mr. Samdech Hun Sen, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Cambodia, addressed the General Assembly.

H.E. Mr. Marc Forné Molné, Prime Minister of the Principality of Andorra, addressed the General Assembly.

H.E. The Honourable Mahendra Pal Chaudhry, Prime Minister of the Republic of Fiji, addresed the General Assembly.

The General Assembly heard statements by H.E. Mr. Amara Essy, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Côte d'Ivoire and former President of the General Assembly; H.E. The Right Honourable Robin Cook, Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland; H.E. Mr. Jadranko Prlić, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

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Convention on the Rights of the Child

COMMITTEE ON THE
RIGHTS OF THE CHILD
Twenty-second session
United Nations Office at Geneva

MONDAY, 20 SEPTEMBER 1999

558th meeting

The twenty-second session was opened by the Deputy High Commissioner for Human Rights, Mr. Bertrand Ramcharam.

Adoption of the agenda [1]

The Committee adopted its provisional agenda as contained in document CRC/C/88.

Organizational and other matters [2]

The Committee considered the item.

Submission of reports by States parties [3]

The Committee began its consideration of the item.

Submission of reports by States parties [3]

Other matters [9]

The Committee considered the items in closed session.

559th (closed) meeting

Methods of work of the Committee [6]

Other matters [9]

The Committee considered the items in closed session.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

International Convention for the Suppression of Terrorist Bombings. New York, 15 December 1997

Signature: Belarus (20 September 1999)

Ratification: Norway (20 September 1999)*

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* Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty. New York, 10 September 1996

Signature: Guatemala (20 September 1999)

Amendments to articles 24 and 25 of the Constitution of the World Health Organization. Geneva, 16 May 1998

Acceptance: Madagascar (16 September 1999)*

Amendment to article 74 of the Constitution of the World Health Organization. Geneva, 18 May 1978

Acceptance: Madagascar (16 September 1999)*

* Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Security announcement

Grounds passes

Regarding the issuance of United Nations grounds passes, the Pass and Identification Office, located on the ground floor of the UNITAR Building (45th Street and First Avenue), will be open *tomorrow*, 21 September 1999, from 7.30 a.m. to 5.30 p.m. For extended hours of service please fax requests to the Chief, Security and Safety Service (fax: (212) 963-9541).

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New United Nations stamps and souvenir sheets

Today, 21 September 1999, the United Nations Postal Administration (UNPA) will issue a set of three commemorative stamps and three souvenir sheets to pay tribute to those who have lost their lives while serving the United Nations. The denominations of the stamps will be 33 cents, F.s. 1,10, and $6.50. The denominations of the souvenir sheets will be $1.00, F.s. 2,00 and $14.

The new stamps, souvenir sheets, first-day covers and hand cancellations can be obtained by members of delegations and staff members at the north end of the Secretariat Lobby *today*, 21 September 1999, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and at the UNPA sales counter in the concourse of the General Assembly Building from 9 a.m. to 5.30 p.m. Details about the new issue are available in circular ST/IC/1999/74.

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   China

   Italy

   San Marino

3 p.m. 9th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Mr. Ismail Omar Guelleh, President of the Republic of Djibouti

(continued overleaf)

Announcement

A ministerial meeting of the Security Council will be held on Friday, 24 September 1999, at 9.30 a.m. in the Security Council Chamber, in connection with the question of small arms.

2. Address by His Excellency Mr. Miguel Angel Rodríguez Echeverría, President of the Republic of Costa Rica

3. Address by His Excellency Mr. Jules Albert Wijdenbosch, President of the Republic of Suriname

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   Greece

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SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	2nd meeting	Conference Room 4

1. Election of officers
2. Organization of work (A/C.4/54/1, A/C.4/54/L.1)

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subjects

1. Financing of the United Nations Mission in East Timor
2. Financing of the activities arising from Security Council resolution 687 (1991): UNIKOM
3. Report of the Secretary-General on the findings, observations and recommendations contained in the report made by the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the procurement process in the UNAVEM III
4. Gratis personnel provided by Governments

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE ON COORDINATION

CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE ON PROGRAMME AND OPERATIONAL QUESTIONS (CCPOQ)

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

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The Technical Subgroup of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Informatics will meet, under the chairmanship of H.E. Mr. Percy Metsing Mangoaela (Lesotho), *today*, 22 September 1999, at 10 a.m. sharp in *Conference Room 7*.

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Wednesday, 22 September 1999

GROUP OF 77
(draft resolution on the Caribbean Sea and review and implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Islands Developing States)

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 2

GROUP OF 77
(Eleventh Annual Senior Officials Meeting)

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

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There will be an informal open-ended meeting of the Ministers for Foreign Affairs and Heads of Delegation of the Non-Aligned Movement with the Group of 77 and China (Joint Coordinating Committee) *today*, 22 September 1999, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 3.

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There will be a meeting of the Rio Group with China *today*, 22 September 1999, from 9.45 a.m. to 10.30 a.m. in Conference Room 6.

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There will be a meeting of the Rio Group with the Gulf Co-operation Council (GCC) *today*, 22 September 1999, from 11.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

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There will be a meeting of the Rio Group with the Tuxtla Mechanism *today*, 22 September 1999, from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

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Informal consultations

In connection with the special session of the General Assembly for the review and appraisal of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States, the informal consultations on the draft resolution on the Caribbean Sea will continue *today*, 22 September 1999, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

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Briefing

The Permanent Mission of Cuba will hold a briefing for interested delegations and representatives of non-governmental organizations from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in *Conference Room 3*, *today*, 22 September 1999, on "A Cuban Perspective from the Views of Cuban Religious Organizations".

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Informal meeting

There will be closed meeting of the United Nations Mission in Kosovo (UNMIK) police contributors *today*, 22 September 1999, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

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Announcement

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Announcement

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FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Thursday, 23 September 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

10 a.m. 10th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Mr. Rexhep Meidani, President of the Republic of Albania

2. Address by His Excellency Mr. Glafcos Clerides, President of the Republic of Cyprus

3. Address by His Excellency Mr. Olusegun Obasanjo, President and Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces of the Federal Republic of Nigeria

4. Continuation of the general debate [9]:

   Monaco

   Canada

   Egypt

   Palestine, address by His Excellency Mr. Yasser Arafat

3 p.m. 11th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Mr. Teodoro Obiang Nguema Mbasogo, President of the Republic of Equatorial Guinea

2. Continuation of the general debate [9]:

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   Luxembourg

   Kuwait

   Uruguay

   Sri Lanka

   Mexico

   Indonesia

   Turkey

   Romania

   The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

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Workshops

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the United Nations University (UNU) are organizing the second session in the UNU/UNITAR Series, entitled "Workshop on International Environmental Law". Session II will be conducted in English on Thursday , 30 September, and on Friday, 1 October 1999, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

A letter on this subject, including an information note and a nomination form, was addressed to all the permanent missions. The registration deadline is Thursday, 23 September 1999. For further information, please contact Ms. Cecelia Coleman (room DC1-603; tel.:(212) 963-9684).

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The UNITAR/UTA/WTO Workshop on International Trade Negotiations, originally scheduled to be held from 27 to 29 September, will now take place from 20 to 22 October 1999 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in New York. The nomination form was already sent out to all the permanent missions, with the information note. The new registration deadline is Wednesday, 13 October 1999. For further information, please contact Ms. Cecelia Coleman (room DC1-603; tel.: (212) 963-9684).

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Special meeting

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), in cooperation with the International Monetary Fund's Special Representative to the United Nations, will hold a debriefing following the September 1999 Interim Committee meeting of the International Monetary Fund (IMF). The meeting will be conducted in English on Thursday, 7 October 1999, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

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SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

Tuesday, 21 September 1999

SECURITY COUNCIL

4047th meeting

The situation in Africa

Briefing by His Excellency Mr. Frederick J. T. Chiluba, President of the Republic of Zambia

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The Council heard a briefing by His Excellency Mr. Frederick J. T. Chiluba, President of the Republic of Zambia.

Statements were made by the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Bahrain, by the representatives of Canada, France, the United Kingdom and China, by the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Gabon, by the representatives of Argentina, the United States, the Gambia, Malaysia, Slovenia and Brazil, and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of the Netherlands.

The President of the Republic of Zambia provided clarifications in response to the comments and questions by members of the Council.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Forty-fourth session

6th plenary meeting

Address by H.E. Mr. Alberto Fujimori, President of the Republic of Peru

H.E. Mr. Alberto Fujimori, President of the Republic of Peru, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by H.E. Mr. William Jefferson Clinton, President of the United States of America

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Address by H.E. Mr. Robert Mugabe, President of the Republic of Zimbabwe

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Address by H.E. Mr. Alvaro Arzú Irigoyen, President of the Republic of Guatemala

H.E. Mr. Alvaro Arzú Irigoyen, President of the Republic of Guatemala, addressed the General Assembly.

Continuation of the general debate [9]

The General Assembly heard statements by H.E. Mr. Igor Ivanov, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation; H.E. Mr. James Victor Gbeho, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Ghana and H.E. Ms. Tarja Kaarina Halonen, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Finland (on behalf of the European Union).

7th plenary meeting

Note: The summary of the 7th plenary meeting of the General Assembly will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 1999/182).

Committees

THIRD COMMITTEE 2nd meeting

The Chairman made a statement.

Election of officers

The Committee elected by acclamation Mrs. Kirsten Geelan (Denmark), Ms. Mónica Martínez (Ecuador) and Ms. Amina Mesdoua (Algeria) as Vice-Chairpersons and Mr. Naif Bin Bandar Al-Sudairy (Saudi Arabia) as Rapporteur of the Committee.

Organization of work

The Chairman drew the Committee's attention to the relevant recommendations contained in document A/54/250, as well as the proposed organization of work (document A/C.3/54/L.1) and the status of documentation before the Committee (document A/C.3/54/L.1/Add.1).

Following a suspension of the meeting, the Committee approved its programme of work for the session, as contained in document A/C.3/54/L.1.

The Committee agreed to set the following time limits for statements in the general discussion: 7 minutes for statements by individual delegations and 15 minutes for spokespersons of groups of delegations. It was also agreed that this time limit would apply to the Secretariat.

The Committee's attention was drawn to the provisions of General Assembly decision 34/401 regarding interventions in exercise of the right of reply and points of order.

Delegations were informed that the list of speakers for all items would open on Wednesday, 22 September, and that they should inscribe at the earliest possible date with the Secretary of the Committee.

The Committee decided to extend invitations to a number of Special Rapporteurs and Representatives to present their reports to the Committee at the present session under agenda item 116 (c).

FIFTH COMMITTEE 2nd meeting

The Chairman, H.E. Ms. Penny A. Wensley (Australia), declared open the meeting.

Election of the Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur

The Committee elected, by acclamation, Mr. Ahmed H. Darwish (Egypt), Mr. Amjad Hussain B. Sial (Pakistan) and Ms. Judith Maria Cardoze (Panama) Vice-Chairmen of the Committee.

The Committee also elected, by acclamation, Mr. Jan Jaremczuk (Poland), Rapporteur of the Committee.

Organization of work

The Chairman of the Committee drew the attention of the Committee to a letter from the President of the General Assembly addressed to the Chairman of the Fifth Committee (A/C.5/54/1) on the allocation of items of the agenda of the General Assembly to the Fifth Committee. The Chairman reiterated the relevant provisions regarding organizational aspects recommended by the General Assembly as contained in document A/54/250. The Chairman further drew the attention of the Committee to a note by the Secretariat on the status of preparedness of documentation (A/C.5/54/L.1) and to a draft programme of work for the session.

Statements concerning the status of preparedness of documentation and on the draft programme of work were made by the representatives of Finland (on behalf of the European Union), Guyana (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) and Canada (on behalf of New Zealand, Australia and Canada).

The Director of the Programme Planning and Budget Division replied to a question posed.

The Chairman took note of the comments made by delegations and announced that the programme of work of the Fifth Committee would be issued as document A/C.5/54/L.2 for the approval of the Committee at its next meeting on Monday, 4 October 1999, at 10 a.m.

The Chairman made a statement.

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PREPARATORY COMMITTEE FOR THE SPECIAL SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE OUTCOME OF THE WORLD SUMMIT FOR SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT AND FURTHER INITIATIVES
Resumed first session 14th meeting

Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters [1]

Draft decisions A/AC.253/L.12 and L.13

The Vice-Chairman of the Preparatory Committee, Mr. Asadi (Islamic Republic of Iran), introduced the draft decisions, which he had submitted on the basis of informal consultations.

The Preparatory Committee adopted draft decision A/AC.253/L.12.

The Preparatory Committee also recommended draft decision A/AC.253/L.13 for adoption by the General Assembly.

The Chairman declared closed the resumed first session of the Preparatory Committee.

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Convention on the Rights of the Child

COMMITTEE ON THE RIGHTS OF THE CHILD
Twenty-second session
United Nations Office at Geneva

TUESDAY, 21 SEPTEMBER 1999

560th and 561st meetings

Consideration of reports by States parties [4]

The Committee began and concluded its consideration of the initial report of Venezuela (CRC/C/3/Add.54 and Add.59).

In accordance with the Committee's provisional rules of procedure, the representatives of the State party were present at the meetings and replied to questions raised and observations made by members of the Committee.

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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Thursday, 23 September 1999

SECURITY COUNCIL

10.30 a.m. — consultations of the whole (closed) — Consultation Room

Small arms: big challenges

Other matters

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

10 a.m. — 10th PLENARY MEETING — General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Mr. Rexhep Meidani, President of the Republic of Albania
2. Address by His Excellency Mr. Glafcos Clerides, President of the Republic of Cyprus
3. Address by His Excellency Mr. Olusegun Obasanjo, President and Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces of the Federal Republic of Nigeria
4. Continuation of the general debate [9]:

   Monaco

   Canada

   Egypt

   Palestine, address by His Excellency Mr. Yasser Arafat

(continued overleaf)

Announcement

A ministerial meeting of the Security Council will be held on Friday, 24 September 1999, at 9.30 a.m. in the Security Council Chamber, in connection with the question of small arms.

3 p.m. 11th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Mr. Teodoro Obiang Nguema Mbasogo, President of the Republic of Equatorial Guinea

2. Continuation of the general debate [9]:

Address by His Excellency The Right Honourable Pakalitha Bethuel Mosisili, Prime Minister of Lesotho

Address by His Excellency Mr. Salim El-Hoss, Prime Minister of Lebanon

Luxembourg

Kuwait

Uruguay

Sri Lanka

Mexico

Indonesia

Turkey

Romania

The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia

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FIFTY-FOURTH SESSION OF
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Live Webcast of the general debate of the fifty-fourth session of the General Assembly is available at the General Assembly Web site at the following address:

http://www.un.org/ga/20special/ga54/IndexE.htm

The provisional list of speakers (No. 5) for the general debate of the fifty-fourth session of the General Assembly (20-25 September and 29 September-2 October 1999) is now available in room S-2925 (General Assembly and ECOSOC Affairs Division). The provisional list of speakers (No. 5) has also been sent by facsimile directly to the permanent missions (office of the Permanent Representative). The list of speakers is also available on the Internet at the following address: www.un.org/ga/54/list54.htm. Any queries concerning the list of speakers should be addressed to the Division (Mrs. Nicolle Matias-Veyne (tel.: (212) 963-5063)).

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TWENTY-SECOND SPECIAL SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
ON THE REVIEW AND APPRAISAL OF THE IMPLEMENTATION
OF THE PROGRAMME OF ACTION FOR THE SUSTAINABLE
DEVELOPMENT OF SMALL ISLAND DEVELOPING STATES
(27 and 28 September 1999)

The provisional list of speakers (No. 2) in the debate on the review and appraisal of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States is now available at the General Assembly Servicing Branch (rooms S-2925 and S-3001G). The provisional list of speakers (No. 2) has also been sent by facsimile directly to the permanent missions (office of the Permanent Representative).

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

10.30 a.m.-1 p.m.	2nd meeting	Conference Room 4

1. Election of officers
2. Organization of work (A/C.1/54/1)

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subjects

1. United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East
2. East Timor

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE ON COORDINATION

CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE ON PROGRAMME AND OPERATIONAL QUESTIONS (CCPOQ)

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

Announcement

The daily briefing of the Spokesman for the Secretary-General for members of permanent missions will not be held until Friday, 1 October. The briefings will resume on Monday, 4 October 1999, at 12.30 p.m.

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Thursday, 23 September 1999

GROUP OF 77
(draft resolution on the Caribbean Sea and review and implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Islands Developing States)

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 7

GROUP OF 15

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT
(Meeting of Ministers for Foreign Affairs and Heads of delegation of the Non-Aligned Movement)

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 3
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 3

ORGANIZATION OF THE ISLAMIC CONFERENCE :

AD HOC OPEN-ENDED WORKING GROUP ON UNITED NATIONS REFORM AND SECURITY COUNCIL EXPANSION
(at the expert level)

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 2

AFRICAN GROUP OF THE WHOLE

5 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 4

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There will be a meeting of the Rio Group with Canada *today*, 23 September 1999, at 9 a.m. in Conference Room 6.

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There will be a meeting the follow-up Committee to Latin America and Caribbean-European Union Summit *today*, 23 September 1999, from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. in Conference Room 6.

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10 a.m. 12th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Address by Her Excellency Mrs. Mireya Moscoso, President of the Republic of Panama

2. Address by His Excellency Mr. Leonel Fernández Reyna, President of the Dominican Republic

3. Continuation of the general debate [9]:

   Senegal

   Cuba

   Islamic Republic of Iran

   Kazakhstan

   Singapore

   Iraq

3 p.m. 13th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Mr. Lansana Conté, President of the Republic of Guinea

2. Address by His Excellency Colonel (Retired) Yahya Jammeh, President of the Republic of the Gambia

3. Address by His Excellency Mr. Bharrat Jagdeo, President of the Republic of Guyana

4. Continuation of the general debate [9]:

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   Papua New Guinea

   Netherlands

   Oman

   Hungary

   Iceland

   Liechtenstein

   Brunei Darussalam

   Myanmar

Committees

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

In accordance with its approved programme of work and timetable contained in document A/C.4/54/L.1, the Special Political and Decolonization Comittee (Fourth Committee) will begin its substantive work on Monday, 4 October 1999, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 1. Delegations wishing to participate in the general debate on decolonization and related agenda items are urged to kindly inscribe their names on the list of speakers with the Secretariat of the Committee (room S-2977; tel.: (212) 963-9223), as soon as possible.

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The Six-Member Committee on Palestine *(at the ministerial level)* of the Organization of the Islamic Conference will meet on Friday, 24 September 1999, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 8.

The Contact Group on Bosnia and Herzegovina and Kosova *(at the ministerial level)* of the Organization of the Islamic Conference will meet on Friday, 24 September 1999, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

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There will be a meeting of the Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the States members of the Association of South-East Asian Nations (ASEAN) and the Economic Cooperation Organization (ECO) on Wednesday, 29 September 1999, from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

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Forum

There will be a meeting of the Women's International Forum on Friday, 24 September 1999, at 11 a.m. in Conference Room 4. H.E. Mr. Domingo L. Siazon, Secretary of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of the Philippines, will address the Forum on "The Association of South-East Asian Nations (ASEAN) in a Changing World". Participants should be seated by 10.45 a.m. Delegates and Secretariat staff are invited to attend.

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Side event

In connection with the twenty-second special session of the General Assembly on the review and appraisal of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States, a side event, organized by the Permanent Mission of Italy, on "Coastal and Lagoon Preservation: Lessons Learned from Venice" will take place on Monday, 27 September 1999, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 2. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

Tuesday, 21 September 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

7th plenary meeting

Earthquake in China

The General Assembly was informed of the earthquake that had recently struck near Taipei. The President, on behalf of the General Assembly, extended his heartfelt sympathy to the people of the Taiwan Province of China.

Address by H.E. Mr. Hugo Chávez Frías, President of the Republic of Venezuela

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Continuation of the general debate [9]

H.E. Mr. Mikuláš Dzurinda, Prime Minister of the Slovak Republic, addressed the General Assembly.

The General Assembly heard statements by H.E. Mr. Modibo Sidibe, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Mali; H.E. Mr. Masahiko Koumura, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Japan; H.E. Mrs. Benita Ferrero-Waldner, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs of Austria; H.E. Mr. Borys Tarasyuk, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Ukraine; H.E. Mr. Mohamed Benaissa, Minister for Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of Morocco; H.E. Mr. Abdulaziz Kamilov, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Uzbekistan; H.E. Ms. Anna Lindh, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Sweden; H.E. Mr. Rashid Abdullah Al-Noaimi, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the United Arab Emirates; and H.E. Mr. Abel Matutes, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Spain.

Statements in the exercise of the right of reply were made by the representatives of Spain, the Islamic Republic of Iran, the United Kingdom and the United Arab Emirates.

Wednesday, 22 September 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

8th plenary meeting

Address by H.E. Mr. Carlos Roberto Flores Facussé, President of the Republic of Honduras

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Continuation of the general debate [9]

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9th plenary meeting

Note: The summary of the 9th plenary meeting of the General Assembly will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 1999/183).

Committees

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND
DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE
(FOURTH COMMITTEE) 2nd meeting

Opening of the meeting

The Chairman made a statement.

Election of officers

Upon nomination by the representatives of the Republic of Korea, Slovakia and Turkey, and in accordance with rule 103 of the rules of procedure, the Committee elected, by acclamation, H.E. Mr. Matia Mulumba Semakula Kiwanuka (Uganda), Mr. Yury Kazhura (Belarus) and Mr. Carlos Morales (Spain) as Vice-Chairmen.

The Chairman informed the Committee that consultations were still continuing for the post of Rapporteur.

The representative of Mexico made a statement.

Statements were made by representatives of Belarus and Spain.

Organization of work

The Committee had before it a letter from the President of the General Assembly concerning the agenda items allocated to it (A/C.4/54/1) and a note by the Chairman (A/C.4/54/L.1) containing his suggestions concerning the organization of work.

The representative of Egypt made a statement.

The Secretary of the Committee replied to a question from the representative of Indonesia.

The Committee approved the programme of work contained in document A/C.4/53/L.1.

As regards agenda item 87, the Committee decided to establish an open-ended Working Group, chaired this year by the delegation of India to prepare a draft resolution on agenda item 87 (peaceful uses of outer space).

The Committee's attention was drawn to the relevant rules and recommendations of the General Assembly affecting the work of the Main Committees, as well as those contained in General Assembly decision 34/401.

Delegations were informed about the various dates for closure of the list of speakers for all the items as well as the deadline for submission of draft resolutions.

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Convention on the Rights of the Child

COMMITTEE ON THE
RIGHTS OF THE CHILD
Twenty-second session
United Nations Office at Geneva

WEDNESDAY, 22 SEPTEMBER 1999

562nd (closed) meeting

Methods of work of the Committee [6]

Other matters [9]

The Committee considered the items in closed session.

563rd meeting

Cooperation with other United Nations bodies, specialized agencies and other component bodies [5]

Methods of work of the Committee [6]

The Committee considered the items.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

Protocol amending the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, 1961. Geneva, 25 March 1972

Ratification: Pakistan (2 July 1999)*

Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, 1961, as amended by the Protocol of 25 March 1972 amending the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, 1961. New York, 8 August 1975

Participation: Pakistan (2 July 1999)*

Convention on the Safety of United Nations and Associated Personnel. New York, 9 December 1994

Ratification: Bangladesh (22 September 1999)*

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* Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Tampere Convention on the Provision of Telecommunication Resources for Disaster Mitigation and Relief Operations. Tampere, 18 June 1998

Signature: Bulgaria (22 September 1999)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Staff Council

There will be a meeting of the Staff Council *today*, 23 September 1999, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 4. The meeting is open to staff members only.

COMMUNICATIONS TO THE EDITOR

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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Friday, 24 September 1999

SECURITY COUNCIL

9.30 a.m. 4048th meeting Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Small arms

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

10 a.m. 12th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Address by Her Excellency Mrs. Mireya Moscoso, President of the Republic of Panama
2. Address by His Excellency Mr. Leonel Fernández Reyna, President of the Dominican Republic

(continued overleaf)

TWENTY-SECOND SPECIAL SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
(*27 and 28 September 1999*)

The twenty-second special session of the General Assembly for the review and appraisal of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States will open on Monday, 27 September 1999, ***at 9 a.m.*** in the General Assembly Hall.

3. Continuation of the general debate [9]:

Senegal

Cuba

Islamic Republic of Iran

Kazakhstan

Singapore

Iraq

3 p.m. 13th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Mr. Lansana Conté, President of the Republic of Guinea

2. Address by His Excellency Colonel (Retired) Yahya Jammeh, President of the Republic of the Gambia

3. Address by His Excellency Mr. Bharrat Jagdeo, President of the Republic of Guyana

4. Continuation of the general debate [9]:

Address by His Excellency Mr. Janez Drnovsek, Prime Minister of the Republic of Slovenia

Papua New Guinea

Netherlands

Oman

Hungary

Iceland

Liechtenstein

Brunei Darussalam

Myanmar

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FIFTY-FOURTH SESSION OF
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

The speakers in the general debate are reminded that the General Assembly, in paragraph 21 of the annex to resolution 51/241, has indicated a voluntary guideline of up to twenty minutes for each statement in the general debate.

In line with several strong appeals by the President of the General Assembly, speakers are kindly requested to make an extra effort in observing this 20-minute voluntary guideline for the general debate so that the list of speakers for each day shall be completed in a timely manner.

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FIFTY-FOURTH SESSION OF
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Live Webcast of the general debate of the fifty-fourth session of the General Assembly is available at the General Assembly Web site at the following address:

http://www.un.org/ga/22special/ga54/IndexE.htm

The provisional list of speakers (No. 5) for the general debate of the fifty-fourth session of the General Assembly (20-25 September and 29 September-2 October 1999) is now available in room S-2925 (General Assembly and ECOSOC Affairs Division). The provisional list of speakers (No. 5) has also been sent by facsimile directly to the permanent missions (office of the Permanent Representative). The list of speakers is also available on the Internet at the following address: www. un.org/ga/54/list54.htm. Any queries concerning the list of speakers should be addressed to the Division (Mrs. Nicolle Matias-Veyne (tel.. (212) 963-5063)).

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TWENTY-SECOND SPECIAL SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
ON THE REVIEW AND APPRAISAL OF THE IMPLEMENTATION
OF THE PROGRAMME OF ACTION FOR THE SUSTAINABLE
DEVELOPMENT OF SMALL ISLAND DEVELOPING STATES
(*27 and 28 September 1999*)

The provisional list of speakers (No. 2) in the debate on the review and appraisal of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States is now available at the General Assembly Servicing Branch (rooms S-2925 and S-3001G). The provisional list of speakers (No. 2) has also been sent by facsimile directly to the permanent missions (office of the Permanent Representative).

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subjects

1. Executive session on the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East
2. Executive session on East Timor
3. Executive session on UNIKOM
4. Executive session on gratis personnel provided by Governments
5. Executive session on UNAVEM III

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United Nations Development Programme

There will be informal consultations with members of the United Nations Development Programme on the *Human Development Report 2000 today*, 24 September 1999 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in *Conference Room 5*.

Announcement

The daily briefing of the Spokesman for the Secretary-General for members of permanent missions will not be held until Friday, 1 October. The briefings will resume on Monday, 4 October 1999, at 12.30 p.m.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Friday, 24 September 1999

GROUP OF 77
(draft resolution on the Caribbean Sea and review and implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Islands Developing States)

9 a.m.-10 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room D

GROUP OF 77
(Twenty-third Annual Ministerial Meeting)

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber
4 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

ORGANIZATION OF THE ISLAMIC CONFERENCE :

SIX-MEMBER COMMITTEE ON PALESTINE
(at the ministerial level)

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

ARAB GROUP
(at the ministerial level)

11 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 7

GROUP OF 15
(ministerial meeting)

4 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 6

ORGANIZATION OF THE ISLAMIC CONFERENCE :

CONTACT GROUP ON BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA AND KOSOVA
(at the ministerial level)

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

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There will be a meeting of the Association of the South-East Asia Nations (ASEAN) with the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) *today*, 24 September 1999, from 10.30 a.m. to 11.30 a.m. in Conference Room 6.

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There will be a meeting of the South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC) with the Association of the South-East Asia Nations (ASEAN) *today*, 24 September 1999, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

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Forum

There will be a meeting of the Women's International Forum *today*, 24 September 1999, at 11 a.m. in Conference Room 4. H.E. Mr. Domingo L. Siazon, Secretary of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of the Philippines, will address the Forum on "The Association of South-East Asian Nations (ASEAN) in a Changing World". Participants should be seated by 10.45 a.m. Delegates and Secretariat staff are invited to attend.

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Informal consultations

In connection with the special session of the General Assembly on the review and appraisal of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States, the informal consultations on the draft resolution on the Caribbean Sea will continue *today*, 24 September, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference D.

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Announcement

As from Thursday, 2 September 1999, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council daily, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place at 1.15 p.m., or shortly after the adjournment of the informal consultations, in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

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Announcement

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling (212) 963-8530.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Saturday, 25 September 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

10 a.m. 14th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Mr. Tommy Remengesau Jr., Vice-President of the Republic of Palau

2. Continuation of the general debate [9]:

   Belarus

   Democratic People's Republic of Korea

   Thailand

   Burkina Faso

   Belgium

   Chile

3 p.m. 15th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Mr. Petar Stoyanov, President of the Republic of Bulgaria

2. Address by His Excellency Mr. Francisco Guillermo Flores Pérez, President of the Republic of El Salvador

3. Continuation of the general debate [9]:

   Address by His Excellency Mr. Rinchinnyamyn Amarjargal, Prime Minister of Mongolia

   Address by His Excellency Mr. Carlos Veiga, Prime Minister of Cape Verde

   Croatia

   Viet Nam

   Kenya

   Ireland

   Benin

   Malta

   Uganda

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Committees

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FIRST COMMITTEE

The First Committee will begin its general debate on all disarmament and international security items from 11 to 20 October 1999. Those delegations wishing to participate in the general debate are requested to kindly inscribe their names on the list of speakers, as soon as possible, with the Secretariat of the First Committee (room S-2977B; tel.: (212) 963-0049; telefax: (212) 963-5305).

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SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

In accordance with its approved programme of work and timetable contained in document A/C.4/54/L.1, the Special Political and Decolonization Comittee (Fourth Committee) will begin its substantive work on Monday, 4 October 1999, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 1. Delegations wishing to participate in the general debate on decolonization and related agenda items are urged to kindly inscribe their names on the list of speakers with the Secretariat of the Committee (room S-2977; tel.: (212) 963-9223), as soon as possible.

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SECOND COMMITTEE

The Second Committee will hold its 2nd meeting on *Wednesday, 29 September 1999*, at 10 a.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber, to elect its Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur and to consider its proposed organization of work as contained in document A/C.2/54/L.1. The list of speakers for items allocated to the Second Committee (A/C.2/54/1) will be open for inscription on Wednesday, 29 September, at 3 p.m.

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THIRD COMMITTEE

The list of speakers for *all items* allocated to the Third Committee is open for inscription by delegations. The Committee will begin its substantive work (in accordance with document A/C.3/54/L.1, as approved by the Committee at its 2nd meeting) on Wednesday, 6 October 1999, at 10 a.m., with agenda item 106 (Social development). Delegations wishing to be inscribed are kindly requested to contact the Secretary of the Committee, Ms. Kate Starr Newell (tel.: (212) 963-4248; telefax: (212) 963-5935).

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SIXTH COMMITTEE

The Sixth Committee will hold its 2nd meeting on Monday, 27 September 1999, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 4, for the purpose of electing its Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur and to consider and approve its organization of work (A/C.6/54/L.1). Following the adjournment of the 2nd meeting, a Working Group of the Sixth Committee, established pursuant to General Assembly resolution 51/210 of 17 December 1996, will hold its first meeting in Conference Room 4.

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CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

The Credentials Committee for the twenty-second special session of the General Assembly will hold a closed meeting on Monday, 27 September 1999, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

The Chairman of the Commission for Social Development, Mr. Aurelio Fernández (Spain), will give a briefing on the programme of work of the Commission on Thursday, 7 October 1999, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 1. All interested delegations are invited to attend.

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The Ad Hoc Committee on Afghanistan *(at the ministerial level)* of the Organization of the Islamic Conference will meet on Monday, 27 September 1999, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 6.

The Contact Group on Jammu/Kashmir *(at the ministerial level)* of the Organization of the Islamic Conference will meet on Monday, 27 September 1999, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

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There will be a meeting of the Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the States members of the Association of South-East Asian Nations (ASEAN) and the Economic Cooperation Organization (ECO) on Wednesday, 29 September 1999, from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

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Briefing

The Regional Representative of the United Nations International Drug Control Programme (UNDCP), Mr. Michael Platzer, will brief permanent missions on current efforts to implement the Barbados Plan of Action on Drug Control. The briefing will be held on Monday, 27 September 1999, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room E, and will be followed by a question-and-answer period. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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Informal meeting

There will be an ad hoc expert group meeting on "Economic Governance within the Context of Globalization: Conceptual and Policy Issues", organized by the Division for Public Economics and Public Administration of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, from 27 to 29 September 1999 in conference room 1240 (DC1 Building). The meeting will begin on Monday, 27 September, at 10 a.m. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. S. Ran Kim (tel.: (212) 963-8391).

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Side events

In connection with the twenty-second special session of the General Assembly on the review and appraisal of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States, a side event, organized by the Permanent Mission of Italy, on "Coastal and Lagoon Preservation: Lessons Learned from Venice" will take place on Monday, 27 September 1999, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 2. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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In connection with the twenty-second special session of the General Assembly on the review and appraisal of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States, a side event, organized by the Permanent Missions of Papua New Guinea and Japan, on "The Impact of Natural Disasters on Small Island Developing States (focusing on tsunami)" will take place on Tuesday, 28 September 1999, from 1.15 p.m. to 2 p.m. in Conference Room 2. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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In connection with the twenty-second special session of the General Assembly on the review and appraisal of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States, a two-part side event, organized by the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), will take place on Tuesday, 28 September 1999, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 3. The first part will be the launch of a series of *Island Environment Outlook* reports, dealing with the Caribbean, Western Indian Ocean and South Pacific. Mr. Klaus Toepfer, Executive Director of UNEP, will be among the speakers. The second part will be the formal launch of the Clearing House Mechanism of the Global Programme of Action on the Protection of the Marine Environment from Land-base Activities. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

Wednesday, 22 September 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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Address by H.E. Mr. Miguel Angel Rodríguez Echeverría, President of the Republic of Costa Rica

H.E. Mr. Miguel Angel Rodríguez Echeverría, President of the Republic of Costa Rica, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by H.E. Mr. Jules Albert Wijdenbosch, President of the Republic of Suriname

H.E. Mr. Jules Albert Wijdenbosch, President of the Republic of Suriname, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by H.E. Mr. Leo Amy Falcam, President of the Federated States of Micronesia

H.E. Mr. Leo Amy Falcam, President of the Federated States of Micronesia, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by H.E. Mr. Frederick Chiluba, President of the Republic of Zambia

H.E. Mr. Frederick Chiluba, President of the Republic of Zambia, addressed the General Assembly.

Continuation of the general debate [9]

H.E. The Honourable Denzil Douglas, Prime Minister of Saint Kitts and Nevis, addressed the General Assembly.

The General Assembly heard statements by H.E. Mr. Sartaj Aziz, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Pakistan; H.E. Mr. George Papandreou, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Greece; H.E. Mr. Niels Helveg Petersen, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Denmark; H.E. Mr. Jaswant Singh, Minister for External Affairs of India; H.E. Mr. Boris Shikhmuradov, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Turkmenistan; and H.E. Mr. Jan Kavan, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic.

A statement in the exercise of the right of reply was made by the representative of Pakistan.

Thursday, 23 September 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

10th plenary meeting

Address by H.E. Mr. Rexhep Meidani, President of the Republic of Albania

H.E. Mr. Rexhep Meidani, President of the Republic of Albania, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by H.E. Mr. Glafcos Clerides, President of the Republic of Cyprus

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Address by H.E. Mr. Olusegun Obasanjo, President and Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces of the Federal Republic of Nigeria

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Continuation of the general debate [9]

His Serene Highness Crown Prince Albert, Crown Prince of the Principality of Monaco, addressed the General Assembly.

The General Assembly heard statements by H.E. The Honourable Lloyd Axworthy, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Canada; and H.E. Mr. Amre Moussa, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Egypt.

H.E. Mr. Yasser Arafat, Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Palestine Liberation Organization and President of the Palestinian Authority, addressed the General Assembly.

11th plenary meeting

Note: The summary of the 11th plenary meeting of the General Assembly will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 1999/184).

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE 2nd meeting

The Chairman, H.E. Mr. Raimundo Gonzales (Chile), made a statement.

Election of the Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur

The Committee decided to postpone the election of officers to a later date.

Organization of work

The Committee adopted its programme of work and timetable contained in document A/C.1/54/CRP.1.

The Secretary of the Committee made a statement.

The representative of Kazakhstan made a statement.

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Convention on the Rights of the Child

COMMITTEE ON THE RIGHTS OF THE CHILD
Twenty-second session
United Nations Office at Geneva

THURSDAY, 23 SEPTEMBER 1999

564th and 565th meetings

Consideration of reports by States parties [4]

The Committee began and concluded its consideration of the second periodic report of the Russian Federation (CRC/C/65/Add.5).

In accordance with the Committee's provisional rules of procedure, the representatives of the State party were present at the meetings and replied to questions raised and observations made by members of the Committee.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty. New York, 10 September 1999

Signature: Oman (23 September 1999)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Pass and Identification Office will be open as follows: Saturday, 25 September, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Sunday, 26 September, from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.; Monday, 27 September, from 7.30 a.m. to 5.30 p.m.; and Tuesday, 28 September, from 7.30 a.m. to 5.30 p.m.

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